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Applicant: Jeffrey A. Whitsett
Title: USE OF FGF-18 PROTEIN, TARGET PROTEINS AND THEIR
RESPECTIVE ENCODING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES TO INDUCE
CARTILAGE FORMATION
Attorney Ref: CHM-003

RESPONSE FOLLOWING RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 31, 2008

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 06/24/2008 requiring an election/restriction, please enter the following election and consider the following remarks. Applicant requests a one-month extension to respond, and payment of the one-month extension fee is also included with this Response.

The Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page **2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on page **5** of this paper.